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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm
Friday Closed

October 11, 2020 Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Pastor's Quarantine

I had expected to announce in this bulletin article that I would be imminently departing for my annual retreat: a week each year in which I spend more time in prayer and reading, often at a monastery or some other quiet place. But at 12:17am on Thursday, I received a phone call informing me that a woman for whom I had celebrated the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at 2:30pm on Wednesday had tested positive for Covid -19, meaning that my retreat will be two weeks in length, a 14-day quarantine!

In obedience to the bishop's directives (not to mention the medical advice we've all been hearing in these last months), I had been wearing a mask as well as a hospital gown during my visit, and used hand sanitizer immediately after leaving the room. That, plus my age and general good health, puts me in a very low-risk category. Nonetheless, into quarantine I go! You will all be in my daily prayers, especially during Mass. If you should happen to find yourself walking down Martha Street early on some morning during my "retreat", and your eye is caught by candles glowing through the window that peers into the rectory oratory, you might catch a glimpse of me offering the Holy Sacrifice.

My thanks go out to all who made kind offers of assistance, even in just the first hours after I received this news. In particular, I want to thank Deacon Craig Stratton and Deacon David Kepler for taking on some of my scheduled baptisms, as well as Exposition & Benediction this coming Tuesday. And, although the details were not finalized by the time of publication, please do take a moment to thank (and pray for) the priests that you see at Masses here on the weekends—I dare say they have been inconvenienced more than I have!

God bless,
Fr. Peter

Monday, October 12th - NO MASS
Tuesday, October 13th - NO MASS
Wednesday, October 14th - NO MASS
Thursday, October 15th - NO MASS
Friday, October 16th - NO MASS

NO CONFESSION THIS WEEK

Tuesday Adoration will take place from 1:00pm-6pm on Tuesday, October 13th. Thank you Deacon Craig Stratton & Deacon Dave Kepler for making this possible!

The Parish Office Will Be Closed Monday, October 12th in Observance of Columbus Day!



- **Mass Schedule:** See page 2
- **Confession:** Sat. 3:45 to 4:30, Wed. 5:45-6:15 pm or by appointment.
- **Baptisms:** We look forward to the Baptism of your child. Please call the Parish office to make arrangements.
- **Sacrament of Marriage:** Couples are to meet at least six months in advance with the parish priest or deacon. Pre-Cana attendance is required. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.
- **Hospital Visits:** Please state you are a parishioner from St. John's Spencerport during your intake if you want to be visited or call the parish office.
- **Prayer Chain** Call 352-5481, ext.213, and leave a message.
- **Food Cupboard:** (585) 397-0290
- **Parish Cemetery:** General Information: 585-352-5481

Mass Schedule - October 12, 2020

MONDAY	
9:00am	No Mass
5:30-6:00pm	No Confession
TUESDAY	
8:00am	No Mass
1:00pm-6:00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
WEDNESDAY	
5:30-6:00pm	St. Callistus
6:30pm	No Confession
THURSDAY	
8:00am	St. Teresa of Jesus
FRIDAY	
8:00am	No Mass
SATURDAY	
3:45-4:30pm	St. Ignatius of Antioch
5:00pm	No Confession
SUNDAY	
Readings:	
7:45am	Is 45: 1,4-6, 1 Thes 1:1-5b, Mt 22:15-21
9:30am	Johann Roth-Family
11:15am	Paula Purson-Bev Mellor
	Fr. Edward Delaney

Prayers for the soul of Robert Brown & Mary Marvin.
Our prayers and sympathy to Donna & Steve Brown on the death of his father and to John & Kathy Reese on death of his mother.

The annual Catholic Ministries Appeal is underway. You may have received your letter and pledge card already. May we use this time of the Catholic Ministries Appeal as an opportunity to better understand how we may share the light of Christ to meet the needs of the larger church community.

GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING

Collection 10/4/20:	\$11,702.50
Weekly amount needed for budget:	\$9,254.00
Year To Date Collection:	\$117,934.66
Year To Date Needed for budget:	\$129,556.00

GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING

Collection 9/28/20:	\$5,464.78
Weekly amount needed for budget:	\$9,254.00
Year To Date Collection:	\$106,232.16
Year To Date Needed for budget:	\$120,302.00

Our options for giving:

- Online giving through our website www.stjohnschurchspencerport.org/donate-online
- The collection tubes in church
- ACH
- Drop Off at Parish Office

Please call the office at 352-5481 or e-mail us at [sstjohnc@dor.org](mailto:ssstjohnc@dor.org) if you have questions with regards to any of our giving options.

October 17/18 Ministry Schedule			
5:00 p.m.	7:45 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:15 a.m.
Sacristans			
Magin	Weitz		Morganti
Lectors			
Clayton	Frank	Mannoni	Daniels
St. John's Parish Calendar			
Monday, October 12			
The Parish Office is Closed In Observance of Columbus Day			
Tuesday, October 13			
9:30am	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	School Atrium	
11:00am	Contemplative Prayer	PC Library	
Wednesday, October 14			
9:30am	Quilters	PC Dining Rm	
1:00--5:00pm	Grace Collaborative	School	
7:00pm	PEACE Faith Sharing	PC Dining Rm	
Thursday, October 15			
8:00am-5:00pm	Grace Collaborative	School	
6:30pm	Cub Scouts Troop 165	Scout /Gym/Rm A	
Friday, October 16			
10:00am	Cursillo Women	PC Dining Rm	
Saturday, October 17			
8:00am	Cursillo Men	PC Dining Rm	
Sunday, October 18			
10:30am	Social Ministry	PC Chapel	
12:30pm	GIFT	School	
12:30pm	Confirmation	School Rm A	



St. Ignatius of Antioch with the child Jesus.

“I offer my life's breath for the sake of the Cross, which is a stumbling block to the unbelievers, but to us it is salvation and eternal life.”

— St. Ignatius of Antioch, *Epistle to the Ephesians*

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Mass Intentions for 2021: We will begin to schedule Mass intentions for 2021 beginning next Tuesday, October 6th. We will only schedule Mass intentions at this point January 1st through June 30th, 2021.

(There is a possibility that our Mass schedule may have to change if Fr. Peter is given a second church beginning July 2021, due to the priest shortage. Once things become more clear we will open the Mass intention book for the remainder of the year.)

To schedule a Mass please stop by the office during regular hours or if you are unable to come stop in the office you may call 585-352-5481 and talk to Kathy.

Latin 101

A message from Fr. Peter:
Some students at Spencerport High School expressed interest in having an introductory Latin class, and I’m always happy to introduce people to (at least the fundamentals of) the mother tongue of my true homeland, the Church. Classes will be held, **beginning October 27th, every Tuesday, 4:00pm–5:30pm**, meeting downstairs in the parish office (the Teen Center). Interested students (in at least 9th grade, but all interested adults are also welcome!) can register by calling the parish office: 352-5481, or by email to [sstjohnc@dor.org](mailto:ssstjohnc@dor.org).

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Social Ministry News

Whatever you did for the least of my brothers, you did for Me.

Poor Box Collections for October will go to the **Spencerport Human Needs Fund**. This local fund responds to needs of the poor to help them become self-reliant and overcome difficulties.

Ecumenical Food Shelf needs hamburger helper, box potatoes, jelly and soup. For food assistance, call 397-0290.

Prayer for the Cause of Life-

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world,
Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life
Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy.

Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of life with honesty and love to the people of our time.

Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.

Taken from Pope John Paul II's 1995 encyclical, "The Gospel of Life" (www.vatican.va)

**October is Respect Life Month!
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“Jesus calls each of us to “care for the others as a person for whom God has made us responsible” (EV 87). “ The Gospel of Life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For the Gospel of God’s love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a single and indivisible Gospel.”

Question for reflection: Do I inform myself of the Church’s teachings and engage in the civic arena as first a follower of Christ?

An overview of the Gospel of Life encyclical can be found at www.usccb.respectlife.org/2020

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Sacred Heart Cathedral 296 Flower City Parkway, Rochester, NY

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Due to social distancing requirements, space is limited. Please RSVP by sending us an email to: white.mass.flg@gmail.com

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